Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

January 2010

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.3 percent between December 2009 and January 2010 while the Canada All-items Index also advanced 0.3 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.4 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the January All-items Index increased from December 2009 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, water and natural gas. Prices also rose for homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, men's clothing and non-alcoholic beverages.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for travel tours, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), footwear and household chemical products. Prices also fell for fresh fruit, fresh vegetables and dairy products.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.6 percent between January 2009 and January 2010 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.9 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.9 percent and 1.4 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The January All-items Index increased from January 2009 primarily due to increased prices for gasoline, the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, electricity and rent. Prices also were higher for food purchased from restaurants, prescribed medicines and homeowners' maintenance and repairs.

These increases were partially offset by price decreases for natural gas, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, property taxes (including special charges) and home entertainment equipment – parts and services. Prices were also lower for women's clothing, fresh fruit and fresh vegetables.

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ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

	Index		Percent Change	
	Jan. 2010	Dec. 2009	Dec. 2009 to Jan. 2010	Jan. 2009 to Jan. 2010
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	117.5	117.1	0.3	1.6
Food	122.2	123.0	-0.7	1.5
Shelter	138.6	137.6	0.7	-1.4
Household Operations and Furnishings	103.0	102.8	0.2	1.1
Clothing and Footwear	93.9	93.5	0.4	-1.7
Transportation	110.7	108.6	1.9	6.2
Health and Personal Care	114.1	113.7	0.4	5.6
Recreation, Education and Reading	102.9	104.0	-1.1	1.3
Tobacco and Alcohol	134.6	133.9	0.5	3.3
All-Items Excluding Energy	116.3	116.2	0.1	1.4
Energy	128.7	125.1	2.9	2.5
CANADA				
All-Items	115.1	114.8	0.3	1.9
Food	122.3	121.8	0.4	1.4
Shelter	121.8	121.3	0.4	-1.1
Household Operations and Furnishings	107.9	107.5	0.4	2.1
Clothing and Footwear	90.1	90.6	-0.6	-1.9
Transportation	117.2	115.5	1.5	7.7
Health and Personal Care	113.8	113.2	0.5	3.1
Recreation, Education and Reading	101.1	102.8	-1.7	1.4
Tobacco and Alcohol	131.1	131.2	-0.1	1.5
All-Items Excluding Energy	113.6	113.5	0.1	1.3
Energy	133.9	130.3	2.8	8.2
REGINA				
All-Items	117.8	117.3	0.4	1.9
SASKATOON				
All-Items	118.5	118.1	0.3	1.4

Note: **These indices measure the percent change in consumer prices within each geographic area. The indices do not compare price levels between Saskatchewan, Canada, Regina or Saskatoon.**

Source: Statistics Canada, *Consumer Price Index Survey*
Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES

	Percent Change	
	Dec. 2009 to Jan. 2010	Jan. 2009 to Jan. 2010
Canada	0.3	1.9
Newfoundland	1.1	3.2
Prince Edward Island	0.5	4.0
Nova Scotia	0.5	3.1
New Brunswick	0.8	3.9
Quebec	0.0	2.2
Ontario	0.4	1.9
Manitoba	0.1	1.7
Saskatchewan	0.3	1.6
Alberta	0.3	1.7
British Columbia	0.3	0.7
Whitehorse	0.4	0.8
Yellowknife	0.0	2.2
Iqaluit	0.0	-0.4

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES

	Percent Change	
	Dec. 2009 to Jan. 2010	Jan. 2009 to Jan. 2010
St. John's	1.0	3.0
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.4	3.8
Halifax	0.4	2.8
Saint John	0.8	3.9
Quebec City	0.0	2.5
Montreal	0.0	2.1
Ottawa	0.3	1.9
Toronto	0.5	1.8
Thunder Bay	0.5	1.3
Winnipeg	0.1	1.6
Regina	0.4	1.9
Saskatoon	0.3	1.4
Edmonton	0.3	1.8
Calgary	0.2	1.4
Vancouver	0.4	1.0
Victoria	0.1	0.5
Whitehorse	0.4	0.8
Yellowknife	0.0	2.2
Iqaluit	0.0	-0.4

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